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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

## Response to Amendment

1. The reply filed on January 18, 2008 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

**a.** Applicant has failed to specifically point out the support in the original disclosure for each of the newly presented claim limitations (see M.P.E.P. 714.02).

For example: "a membrane <u>saturated</u> with a hydrating solution"; "a polyacrylamide homopolymer".

- **b.** Further, it seems contradictory the membrane is disclosed as <u>saturated with a hydrating</u> <u>solution</u>" but at the same time as "consisting esentially of <u>a dried solution</u> of a mixture of a biological polymer and a polyacrylamide homopolymer". The Examiner was not able to find said limitations (combined) in the specification as originally filed.
- 2. <u>See</u> 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE** (1) **MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

### Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Javier G. Blanco whose telephone number is 571-272-4747. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.), first Friday of the hi-week off.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor,

Corrine McDermott can be reached on (571) 272-4754. The fax phone numbers for the

organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300 for regular

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the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone

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